

Remarks

Restriction:

Claims 1-29 were pending, and subject to a restriction requirement. Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Group II (claims 17-20 drawn to a silica layer).

Closing Remarks

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Office Action and believe this response to be a full and complete response to such Office Action.

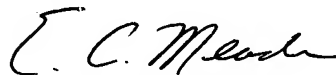
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